

DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Claims 1-12, 18, 19, 21-24, 26-32, 35-45, 53-56, 58-59 are allowable. The restriction requirement for species in regards to the independent claims 1 and 35, as set forth in the Office action mailed on 3/29/07, has been reconsidered in view of the allowability of claims to the elected species pursuant to MPEP § 821.04(a). **The restriction requirement is hereby withdrawn as to any claim that requires all the limitations of an allowable claim.** Claims 13-17 and 46-52, directed to a non-elected species are no longer withdrawn from consideration because the claim(s) requires all the limitations of an allowable claim. However, claims 62-71 and 74-84, directed to non-elected species that were not examined and do not depend from an allowable claim are withdrawn from consideration.

In view of the above noted withdrawal of the restriction requirement, applicant is advised that if any claim presented in a continuation or divisional application is anticipated by, or includes all the limitations of, a claim that is allowable in the present application, such claim may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory double patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application.

Once a restriction requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP § 804.01.

2. This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 33, 34, 60-86 and 89-102 directed to inventions and species non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 33, 34, 60-86, and 89-102 have been cancelled.
3. The allowed claims are 1-19, 21-24, 26-32, 35-56, 58, 59

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CRAIG M. SCHNEIDER whose telephone number is (571)272-3607. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30 -5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Greg Huson can be reached on (571) 272-4887. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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